



State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations
GUBERNATORIAL PROCLAMATION

Neuroendocrine Tumor Cancer Awareness Day

WHEREAS, neuroendocrine tumors often develop into cancer and, if left untreated, can result in serious illness and death; and

WHEREAS, all too often healthcare professionals underestimate the malignant and metastatic potential of neuroendocrine tumors; and

WHEREAS, neuroendocrine tumor cancer patients are often misdiagnosed or receive a delayed diagnosis, which can have a negative impact on their chance of survival and quality of life; and

WHEREAS, survival for neuroendocrine tumor cancer patients is further compromised by fragmented care and lack of access to treatment by networks of specialists; and

WHEREAS, although there have been advances in the detection and treatment of neuroendocrine tumor cancers, not all patients are benefiting quickly enough from scientific and medical progress in the field; and

WHEREAS, with timely diagnosis and proper treatment, neuroendocrine tumor cancer patients can have significantly improved outcomes and quality of life; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Lincoln D. Chafee, Governor of the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations, do hereby proclaim November 10, 2011 as Neuroendocrine Tumor Cancer Day in the State of Rhode Island and encourage all state residents to recognize the importance of this day.



Given under my hand and the great
seal of the State of Rhode Island
and Providence Plantations,
this 1st day of November, 2011

Lincoln D. Chafee
Governor

A. Ralph Mollis
Secretary of State